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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Steve Brandstetter

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Examiner: C. Coburn

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Art Unit: 3714

For: GAMING DEVICE BONUSING SYSTEM

Dated: April 8, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed January 8, 2003.

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 12 (Twice Amended) A process for paying out a bonus to a player playing a gaming machine comprising;

placing coins in a gaming machine;

playing said gaming machine consisting essentially of; a slot machine, video poker machine, video keno machine, or video bingo machine [or gaming device];

counting said coins players place in said gaming machine;

showing said number of counted coins to said player;

dispensing a ticket when said number of counted coins equals said number of coins needed for a ticket to be generated.